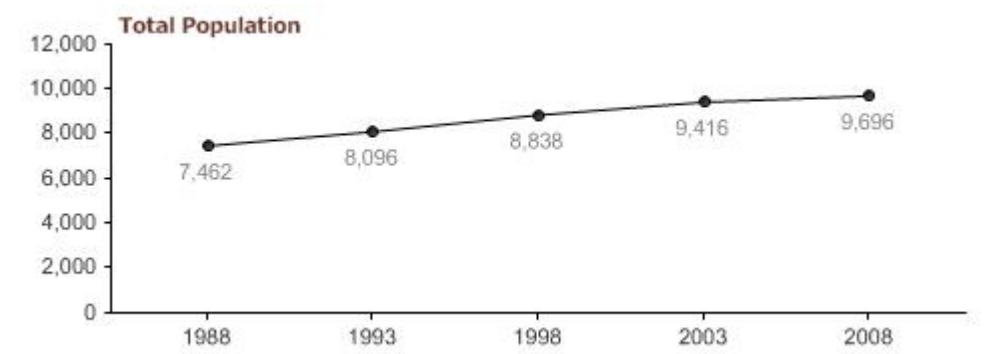


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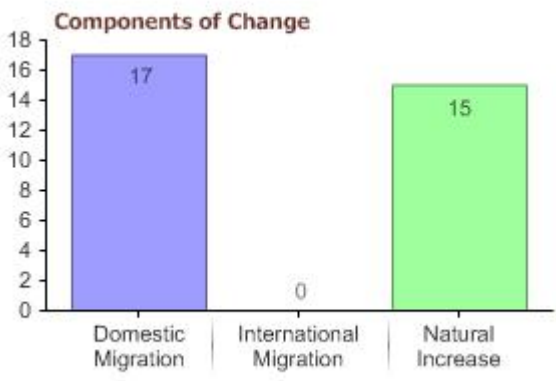
## Population

A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

Population Over Time					
	1988	1993	1998	2003	2008
Total Population	7,462	8,096	8,838	9,416	9,696
Change Since 1988		634	1,376	1,954	2,234
Pct. Change Since 1988		8.5%	18.4%	26.2%	29.9%



Source: US Census Bureau

Components of Population Change 2007 to 2008		
	Number	
Net Domestic Migration	17	
International Migration	0	
Natural Increase (births minus deaths)	15	
Births	114	
Deaths	99	

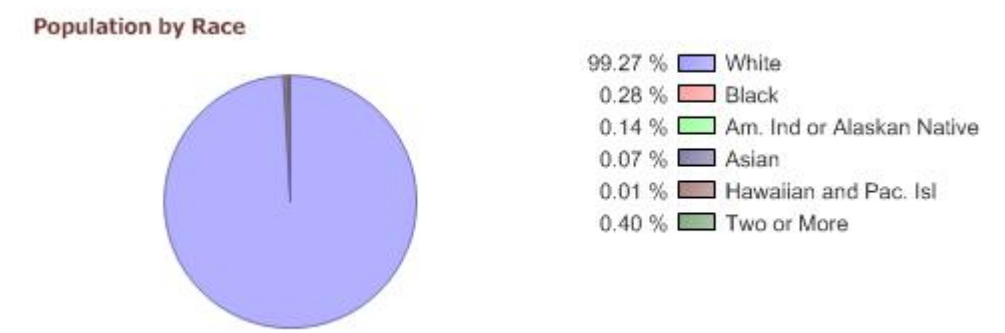
Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Age in 2007		
	Number	Pct. Dist
Preschool	550	5.7%
School Age	1,678	17.4%
College Age	710	7.3%

Young Adult	2,822	29.2%
Older Adult	2,580	26.7%
Older (65 plus)	1,344	13.9%

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Race and Hispanic Origin in 2007		
	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	14	0.1%
Asian Alone	7	0.1%
Black Alone	27	0.3%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	1	0.0%
White Alone	9,596	99.3%
Two or More Race Groups	39	0.4%



Hispanic or Latino		
Non-Hispanic or Latino	9,577	99.1%
Hispanic or Latino	107	1.1%

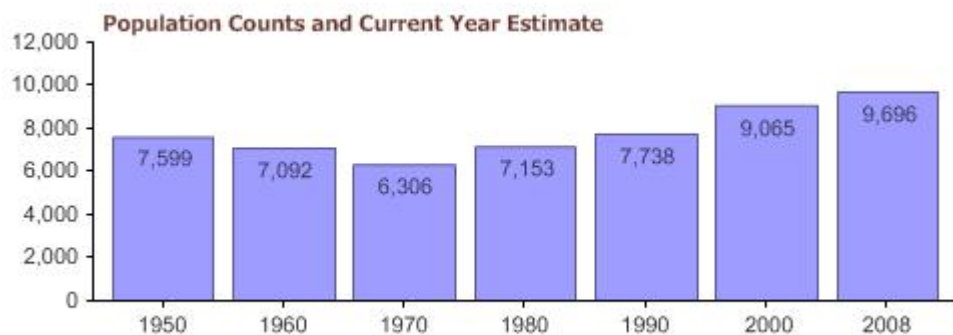
Source: US Census Bureau

Households in 2000		
	Number	Pct. Dist
Total Households	3,435	100.0%
Family Households	2,540	73.9%
Married with Children	818	23.8%
Married without Children	1,200	34.9%
Single Parents	316	9.2%
Other	206	6.0%
Non-family Households	895	26.1%
Living Alone	746	21.7%
Average Household Size	2.65	
Average Family Household Size	3.58	

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Counts by Decade and Current Year Estimate			
	Population	Numerical Chg.	Pct. Chg.
1950	7,599	NA	NA
1960	7,092	-507	-6.7%
1970	6,306	-786	-11.1%
1980	7,153	847	13.4%
1990	7,738	585	8.2%

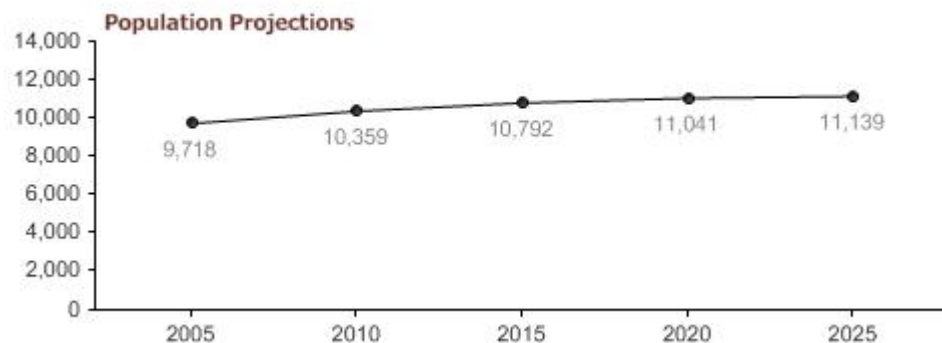
April 2000	9,065	1,327	17.1%
2008	9,696	631	7.0%



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

## Population Projections

	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025
<b>Population Projections</b>	9,718	10,359	10,792	11,041	11,139
<b>Change Since 2005</b>		641	1,074	1,323	1,421
<b>Pct. Change Since 2005</b>		6.6%	11.1%	13.6%	14.6%



Source: Indiana Business Research Center